

## WANT IT THROWN OUT

### Coffin vs Street Rail- way Case.

### Motion to Dismiss by Defendant.

### Matter Now Being Dis- cussed.

The case of Enos Coffin vs the St. Joseph & Benton Harbor street railway company may be discontinued today until the next term of court when it will be brought up under different circumstances.

Enos Coffin, the father of the young man who was killed by one of the electric cars in this city, and the man who is bringing the suit against the railroad company, cannot legally commence the suit according to Attorneys Howell and Cady, who represent the railroad. The law of this state says that an administrator appointed in one state cannot go into another state and commence a case. In other words, in order for Mr. Coffin to commence the case in Berrien county he should have taken out his administrator's papers in this county. Mr. Coffin was appointed administrator of his son's estate in Indiana.

Last week the case was started in the circuit court, one witness was examined and the jury impanelled. Yesterday Mr. Coffin took out administrators papers in Probate Judge Van Riper's office.

This morning the attorneys for the street railway company made a motion to dismiss the case on the grounds that it was not legally started.

Attorneys Gore and Kelley, representing Mr. Coffin, say that if there is any question in the matter at all they would rather commence the case all over than try it here and have it knocked out in the supreme court.

Clarence N. Vinton by his attorneys, Andrews & Murdoch, has filed a creditor's bill in the circuit court against Frederick Reeves, A. A. Patterson and D. H. Patterson.

Judgment was rendered for nearly \$6,000 some time ago and Mr. Vinton got an injunction restraining the Reeves-Patterson people from assigning, transferring or in any way encumbering their property.

At the time the Berrien Springs bank failed the Messrs. Reeves and Pattersons paid the depositors one-third and gave notes for the balance and now Mr. Vinton asks the court to make him an original creditor, claiming that his note was obtained in a fraudulent manner. He further sets up in his bill that William Dester as assignee of Reeves, Patterson & Co., holds considerable property among which is a judgment for \$20,000 rendered about 10 years ago against the old St. Joseph Valley railroad company, which property the M. B. H. & C. road would succeed to.

About 10 o'clock this morning the jury in this case of Wempner vs the estate of John R. Eastman brought in a verdict after being out since yesterday afternoon. They returned a verdict of \$567.85 in favor of the plaintiff, who brought the suit for \$1,000. The case was a hotly contested one and Mr. Wempner is well satisfied with the verdict.

### NOT AS RISKY AS FRUIT.

### Trading in Stocks Said to be a Safer Business.

Benton Harbor has now quite a large number of citizens who are buying and selling stocks and grain through the brokerage office of E. W. Moore & Co. Several of the local fruit buyers are trading on the market. One of these gentlemen was on the wrong side of the market the other day and dropped the margins he put up. Some one offered him sympathy and he replied: "Oh, that's nothing. Trading on the market is not half as dangerous as paying cash for fruit. On one single shipment of fruit I once lost \$1,600 and there was nobody to offer a word of sympathy."

### Probate Court.

Frank A. Stryker filed and settled his final account as administrator of the estate of James A. Fritts, deceased, late of Buchanan, paid over the funds in his hands to the guardian of the child of deceased and was discharged from his trust.

George B. Kittell, administrator of the estate of Sylvester S. Kittell, deceased, filed his final account as such, which was approved by the court, and an order entered for final distribution of said estate.

Enos Holmes was appointed as administrator of the estates of Warner J. Hamilton and Louisa J. Hamilton, deceased, late of Buchanan.

The court appointed Edward L. Hall as administrator of the estate of Susan A. Brown, deceased, late of Berrien Springs.

### THE WEATHER.

Partly cloudy tonight and Wednesday. Moderate temperature. Brisk winds.

### A NEW FACTORY.

### Board of Trade Will Be Given a Proposition.

President J. J. Miller has called a meeting of the board of trade for tomorrow night at 7:30. At this time a proposition will be made whereby the city can secure a factory that will give employment to a large number of hands and be backed by unlimited capital. There ought to be a large attendance.

### NO NEW TRIAL.

### St. Joseph Must Pay N. W. Harris & Co.

A few weeks ago a motion was made in Grand Rapids for a new trial in the case of N. W. Harris & Co. vs the city of St. Joseph. Yesterday the request was denied and the city of St. Joseph will have to pay the judgment rendered against it.

### MARCH 15.

### Expected That Opera House Will Be Opened.

The second truss is being put up at the Bell opera house today. There are three of these trusses to hold the roof of the house and they are certainly worthy of inspection.

They are made of wood and iron and were designed by James U. Pearl, who has a national reputation for this kind of work. The public is invited to call at the building and look at the manner every bit of the work is executed and there will be no fear of the building falling in.

A change in the ownership has been made. Dr. George M. Bell having purchased the interest of Edgar Nichols. The house is now owned by Dr. John Bell, George A. Mills and Dr. George M. Bell.

The contract for the decorating of the interior of the building will be let this week and it is expected that the new opera house will be opened by March 15.

### COPIES OF FAMOUS PAINTINGS

### Rev. Dr. Cogshall Receives Nice Pres- ent from Germany.

Rev. Dr. Cogshall, pastor of the First Methodist church, today received from Germany the present of copies of two famous Germany paintings, one by Murillo, the other by Kaulbach.

The pictures were sent the doctor by his daughter, Mrs. R. C. Ford, the wife of Prof. Ford of Albion college. Mr. and Mrs. Ford are at Munich, where the professor is taking a special course of study.

### Divorce Granted.

Catherine Shepard was this morning granted a divorce from her husband, Theodore Shepard on the ground of cruelty and non support. The couple reside near Sodus. Charles N. Sears was the attorney for Mrs. Shepard.

### Claim Paid in Full.

The Hopper-Morgan company paid the claim of the First National bank against the Bus machine works yesterday. The claim amounted to \$2,750.

The Hopper-Morgan company is one of the solid institutions of the city.

### A Crest of Cloth.

One of the ornithologists attached to the Smithsonian institution was collecting specimens of the birds of southwestern Mexico not long ago, when he saw a cow bird which seemed to him to possess a white crest. Now, properly, the cow bird is altogether black, and the top of his head is as smooth as the poll of a young dry goods clerk. Evidently this strange matter required investigation, and a gunshot brought the bird to the ground. Then was found a more unexpected marvel than was anticipated. The "snow-white crest" proved to be a piece of white cloth that had been stitched into the bird's scalp and trimmed to represent a cock's comb. "It had doubtless been done when the bird was very young," says the observer, "by some of the natives, and the wounds of the operation were entirely healed."—Lippincott's.

### Not Necessary to Talk Much.

"You know," she said, "I am not much of a conversationalist."

This seemed to him the opportunity for which he had been waiting.

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## THE SUGAR INDUSTRY

### Occupying Minds of the People.

### Poor Crop Everywhere Last Year.

### A Nebraska Man Talks of Situation

W. H. Baird, superintendent of the big sugar factory at Norfolk, Neb., was in Chicago yesterday and made the following statement in regard to the sugar industry:

"Eight years ago the industry was in its infancy, there being but three factories in the entire country. Now there are thirty-three factories and others are going up as fast as possible. The principle ones are in Nebraska, California and Michigan, although those in other sections of the country have shown gratifying results. The vegetables now are being grown in New York and in Oregon and in many of the intermediate states.

"The season in Nebraska was from September to January, but although it was fairly good, it was not as good as that of last year. The trouble was in the beets themselves, and the reason for the inferiority of the vegetables is unexplainable. In California the results were somewhat better than those attained in other sections, but they were not so gratifying as those of former seasons. The prospects for next season are very flattering and there will be numerous other factories in operation by that time.

"The railroads have a right to interest themselves as much as possible in the industry and its future. They derive very great benefits from it, for those in touch with the factories are given an immense local traffic in the handling of raw materials used in the production. Just to show how a railroad benefits from the industry, see what it handles daily to and from an average 500-ton factory. It hauls to the factory forty carloads of beets, four carloads of coal, four carloads of limestone, one carload of coke and a carload of general supplies. It will carry away from the factory from ten to twenty carloads of refuse product, such as pulp, upon which live stock is fed, and four carloads of sugar. As the factories increase in capacity the traffic enjoys a proportionate increase. In the season just ended nearly 30,000 sheep were fed in Norfolk alone, to say nothing of thousands of cattle. The refuse product of the beets is foremost among feeds for stock, and the Nebraska factories have had much to do toward making the central portion of that state the greatest feeding ground in the world.

"The domestic demand for the sugar is so great that no attention can be paid to foreign demand. The houses here have been unable to come near the point of meeting the demand, and I guess it will be a long time before they will be able to satisfy the cry for the product. With the exception of Michigan, and possibly one or two other states, no states have bounties. The bounty question is of comparatively little interest when the great question of beet culture itself is considered. The agricultural side of the thing is paramount now. Cultivation of the vegetable is a great study, and before it is mastered one has to experience many discouragements. The factory to be built at North Judson, Ind., promises to be one of the most successful in the country. It seems to be located in a territory particularly well adapted to the cultivation of sugar beets."

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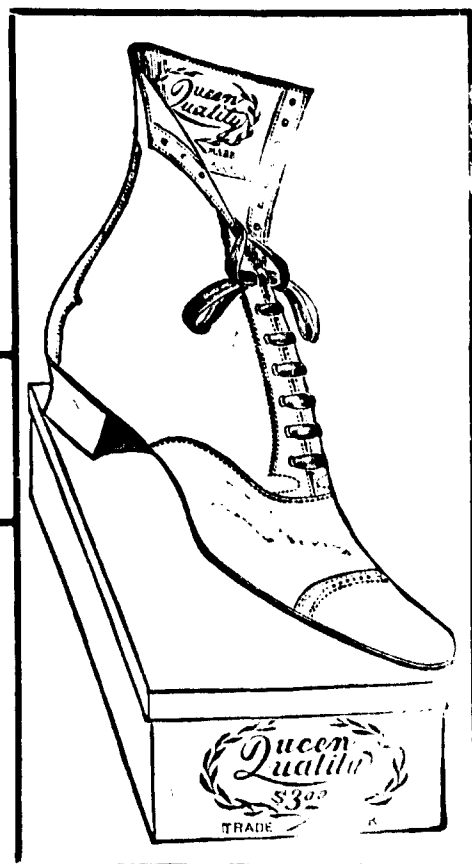
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## WARREN ADVANCES.

**Belief That He Has Crossed the Tugela with 11,000 Men.**

**IMPORTANT NEWS EXPECTED SOON.**

**Boers Said to Be Greatly Depressed by the Result of the Recent Battle at Ladysmith—Kruger Quotes Scripture.**

Cape Town, Jan. 16.—A dispatch to the Argus, dated Friday last, January 12, says: "The authorities have received news that Gen. Warren has crossed the Tugela and occupied a strong position north of the river." This report has been current here since Sunday, but is discredited in official circles.

Cape Town, Saturday, Jan. 13.—There is good reason to believe that the statement that Sir Charles Warren, with 11,000 men, has gone toward Weenen is correct, and we may expect important news shortly.

**Shelling Boer Trenches.**  
London, Jan. 16.—The Standard gives prominence to the following dispatch, dated Saturday, January 13, from Durban: A man who has just arrived here from Springfield says that a British column proceeding to the relief of Ladysmith had crossed the Little Tugela. When he left it was facing the Boer position on the Big Tugela and a howitzer was shelling the Boer trenches. He says also that 270 wagons laden with commissariat stores for Ladysmith had left Frere, and it was

lost at least two, if not three, killed as against our one. Many Boers are believed to be retreating northward. The magistrate at Nqutu, Zululand, telegraphs that scouts report having seen many Boer families with wagons proceeding north, via Zululand, while a European who formerly resided at Ladysmith declares that after the repulse at Ladysmith a number of Boer wagons, loaded with dead and wounded, passed through that mining township, and that the Boers burned some of the public buildings as they departed. Five days have passed since then."

**A Rumor Denied.**  
London, Jan. 16.—Rutherford Harris denies having received a telegram referring to the alleged repulse of Gen. Buller.

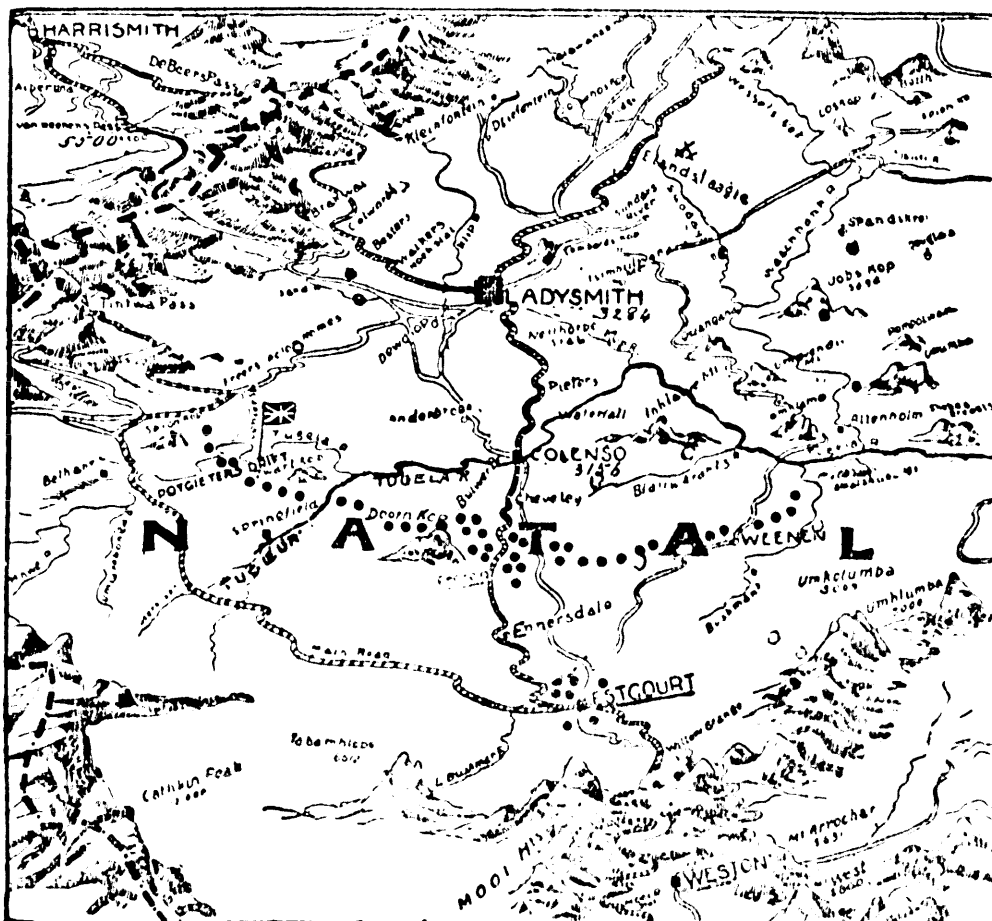
**FOR SECOND PLACE.**

**Republican National Committeeman Payne Talks on the Vice Presidency.**

Philadelphia, Jan. 16.—Henry C. Payne, of Wisconsin, a member of the subcommittee of the national republican committee having in charge the arrangements for the holding of the national convention in this city in June, left Monday for Washington, where the subcommittee will hold a meeting this week. Mr. Payne, Chairman Hanna and a number of others, arrived here last Friday, but all have now departed. Before leaving Committeeman Payne spoke as follows on the question of the vice presidency:

"It has been conceded that President McKinley will be renominated at this convention by a unanimous vote, but when it comes to the second place in the ticket all the indications at this time point out that there will likely be a large field of candidates. To name the candidates now is an impossibility. The name of Cornelius Bliss, of New York, would be acceptable to the people of many states, both east and west, but Mr. Bliss has said that under no con-

**BULLER'S CAMPAIGN FOR RELIEF OF LADYSMITH.**



Latest dispatches from the seat of war indicate that the British lines along the south bank of the Tugela extend from Potgieters' Drift on the west to Weenen on the east, with the center at Frere and a base at Liskour, as indicated by the black dots on the map.

expected that the column would join with Gen. White Monday evening.

**Confused and Disquieted.**  
London, Jan. 16.—Gen. Buller's latest authentic word as to what he and his 26,000 men are doing was wired from Springfield after his first forward step. Striving to think out the unknown, London is confused by surmise and rumor and disquieted by suspense. Spencer Wilkinson, the lucid military expert of the Morning Post, asserts that the Boer force in northern Natal is larger than Gen. Buller's and Sir George White's together, so that the Boers are able to leave a force around Ladysmith larger than that within the town and yet to oppose Gen. Buller with a force superior to his own.

Reports from the Boer camps affirm that the circle of investment has been drawn closer by the occupation of some hills nearer the town, thus liberating reinforcements to oppose Gen. Buller.

The Daily News suggests that a multitude of the rumors that originate in South Africa and London are given currency by the English military authorities in order to mislead the Boers.

**Latest from Roberts.**

London, Jan. 16.—The war office has published the following dispatch from Lord Roberts, dated Cape Town, January 15, 6:20 p. m.: "French reports of a reconnaissance yesterday (Sunday) shelled the Colesburg road bridge. No casualties. Returned to-day. Methuen and Gatacre no change."

**Kruger Quotes Scripture.**

London, Jan. 16.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail, dated Saturday, January 13, from Lourenzo Marques, says: "President Kruger has issued a proclamation ordering all burghers to the front. The Volksraad, the Transvaal official organ, suggests that the moment the British cross the border the gold industry should be irretrievably destroyed."

"President Kruger issued a circular, dated January 8, to Boer commandants and burghers, urging them to show more energy in the Transvaal cause. He quotes Psalm 33, verse 7, as God-given instructions to the burghers, and says that the British have fixed their faith in Psalm 83. He also quotes Psalm 39, verses 13 and 14, and asserts that he has searched the Bible without being able to find any other mode which can be followed by the Boers, who must fight 'In the name of the Lord.'"

"Commanding is proceeding busily at Pretoria, where the town guard is exchanging matters for marlinis, as the former are badly needed at the front. It is said that there are nearly 3,000 British prisoners in Pretoria."

**Boers Depressed.**

London, Jan. 16.—The correspondent of the Daily Telegraph at Pietermaritzburg, telegraphing Thursday, January 11, says:

"The gallantry of the Ladysmith garrison last Saturday appears to have depressed, if not actually demoralized, the Boers generally. It is believed that they

liberation must his name be used for the nomination. I have heard the name of Attorney General Hughes spoken of for the place, but it is not at all likely that he would accept the nomination. For some time past the west has been perfectly willing to allow the vice-presidential nomination to go to New York, but the multiplicity of candidates in that state of late has made the situation in a different light. If New York wants the nomination she must stop quarrelling, or the Mississippi valley will present a candidate with a strong backing. It has been a long time since the west has had a vice president, and unless there is some decided stand taken by the eastern statesmen, the west will do just what she was ready to do in the last presidential campaign. It was only the great popularity and friendship entertained for the late Garret A. Hobart which prevented the west from pushing her own candidate."

**Olive Crop a Failure.**

Washington, Jan. 16.—Consul Skinner, at Marseilles, reports to the state department that the olive crop in Italy, France and Spain is practically a failure and will hardly reach 30 per cent. of the average. The failure has been caused by a fly, and the consul says the people make no effort to counteract the pest, but accept its operations as a dispensation of Providence.

**Victim of Blood Poisoning.**

La Crosse, Wis., Jan. 16.—Prof. George P. Perry died Monday evening of blood poisoning, the result of a boil which started six weeks ago on the left hand. It was repeatedly operated on, but gave no relief. He was principal of one of the district schools for many years and prominent in educational circles. He was born 50 years ago in Richmond, Va.

**Gifts to Harvard.**

Cambridge, Mass., Jan. 16.—The statement of the treasurer of Harvard university, which will soon be issued, shows that gifts which were made to the university from August 1, 1898, to July 31, 1899, aggregated \$1,544,829. Of this amount \$1,383,460 was to form new funds or increase old ones and \$161,369 was available for immediate use.

**The Kentucky Contest.**

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 16.—The contest boards sitting in the contests for governor and lieutenant governor got down to work Monday. Most of the day was taken up with sparring between the attorneys over legal technicalities, and at night when adjournment was taken until to-day only two witnesses had been examined.

**Rates Increased.**

New York, Jan. 16.—The transatlantic steamship lines have increased their passenger rates between New York and Europe owing to the heavy travel that is expected to the Paris exposition.

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# THE EVENING NEWS.

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BENTON HARBOR, MICH., TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 1900.

TWO CENTS.

## MUST PAY TAX

Council Rules Against Position  
Taken by Mr. Stewart.

### Plan to Heat the City Hall by Steam.

The city council met in regular session last night. The first matter to be brought up was that concerning the taxes of William Stewart. Mr. Stewart has some stock in the Farmers and Merchants bank and lives on Pipestone street. On October 31 he registered in this city as a voter but has never voted here. He claims that although he may live in the city yet he is not a resident here as he votes in the country. He refuses to pay the taxes assessed against his bank stock. Last night by a full vote of the council the city treasurer was ordered to collect the taxes.

Alderman Daigneau reported that the property necessary to the opening up of Brunson avenue, and to make the small park opposite the new Bell opera house, would cost about \$7,000. He said that the property to be increased in value by the improvement would help pay the expense. Alderman Gillette and other members of the council said that the city needed some place of this sort and that some effort should be made to get the property at a reasonable figure.

City Clerk Chaddock reported that so far this winter over seven tons of coal had been burned in two stoves at the city hall and that something should be done about the matter. Alderman Hall said that as steam was always up at the city pumping station it would be a saving to the city to lay pipes from that building to the city hall and heat

by steam. The suggestion met with the approval of all the aldermen and the mayor referred the matter to the committee on buildings.

An order for \$502 to be drawn from the fire fund was made to pay the last note on the hook and ladder truck.

The interest on the water bonds amounting to \$1,275 which was due January 1 was ordered paid.

The \$1,000 borrowed from the police fund for use in the street fund was ordered paid back.

L. J. Bauschke, of the firm of A. Bauschke & Bro., was at the meeting and requested the council to grant him the right to erect a wooden building on their lot where their factory is located, the building to be used as a lumber shed and to have a fire proof roof. The matter was referred to the building committee.

The mayor appointed Worth Abbott as a member of Hose company No. 3, to take the place of George Bradley, resigned.

The bill of Dr. George M. Bell for \$5 for attending to John Holland the night Officer Sheffield created some trouble in the city was again brought up and was not allowed. It was maintained that the city was not to blame for the accident and that no officer of the city told Holland to go to the doctor. One of the aldermen said that Holland was the man to pay the bill.

The council adjourned to meet next Thursday night at which time objections to the special sidewalk assessment will be heard.

## TAX ON CORPORATIONS.

Tax Commissioner Asks Some New Questions.

Lansing, Jan. 16.—The blanks sent out to corporations by Secretary of State Stearns this month, requiring annual reports of such corporations to be made before March 1, contain several new questions. These questions call for information which will go far towards determining the actual value of the property of the different concerns in the state.

The questions were inserted at the instance of the state tax commission, and are designed to aid the commissioners on taxing property at its true value. Among the questions which must be sworn to are the following: The amount of capital stock; the amount of capital actually paid in; the amount invested in real estate; the actual cash value of the real estate held by said corporation; is the real estate held by said corporation subject to mortgage in whole or in part, and if so give amount of the liability of said corporation on real estate mortgages; the actual cash value of personal estate (including credits) held by said corporation; the total liability of said corporation upon chattel mortgages; the total indebtedness of said corporation, secured and unsecured; the total amount of credits owned by said corporation; the actual cash value of the credits owned by said corporation.

## ABOUT THE VICINITY.

West Sodus.

West Sodus, Jan. 16.—The Sunday school convention held at Bethel church yesterday afternoon and evening was well attended, the exercises interesting and profitable.

Elder Eamer from Bangor is to assist Elder Erikens in the meetings this week. Come all Christian people and help us.

The funeral of Mrs. John McGoldrick was held from the Sodus Bethel church on Thursday of last week. The services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Taylor of the Christian church of Benton Harbor. Mrs. McGoldrick had been a great sufferer for over a year but her faith was strong and we feel that she is now at rest. She leaves a husband, three sons and a daughter.

James Albright, who is quite old and feeble, walked the distance of three miles Sunday morning to church, and after taking dinner with I. B. Harman, another of the oldest and first members of the church at this place, he walked home again in the afternoon.

Lena, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Glade, was taken sick Sunday night at church and they had to go home before services were out.

Saturday evening as Mr. Strome was ready to start for church he discovered that dogs were after his sheep, but we have not learned yet whether there were any killed or not. The owners of such dogs beware.

## There is a Class of People

Who are injured by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O, made of pure grains, that takes the place of coffee. The most delicate stomach receives it without distress, and but few can tell it from coffee. It does not cost over 4 as much. Children may drink it with great benefit. 15 cts. and 25 cts. per package. Try it. Ask for GRAIN-O.

What's the use of going home to dinner when the Hotel Phoenix lunch counter is so convenient?

## Art Gallery for Buffalo.

Buffalo, N. Y., Jan. 16. John J. Albright has announced to the board of directors of the Buffalo fine arts academy his intention to present to the city an art gallery to cost about \$200,000 and to begin its construction immediately. The gallery will be of white marble and will be built in or near the Delaware park and within the boundaries of the Pan-American exhibition grounds.

## Servian Ministry Resigns.

Vienna, Jan. 16. The Neue Freie Presse says the Servian ministry has resigned owing to King Alexander insisting on granting amnesty to all the political prisoners convicted of high treason against his father, former King Milan.

## The Prince of Good Tonics.



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## LETTER FROM THE GOVERNOR.

Recently Received by a Benton Harbor Citizen.

A few days ago E. L. Brant, 215 Columbus avenue, this city, sent a clipping to the governor from a local paper which was practically an obituary notice of the executive. Mr. Brant is a republican. His letter brought the following reply:

"Your kind favor of January 5, inclosing clipping is received. I thank you very much for your thoughtfulness in writing me and for your words of commendation of my course as governor.

"I have tried to do my duty, as I have conceived it, with respect to the people of the state, and if I have failed to secure the passage of laws relieving the masses of the burden of taxes, I feel that it is because the representatives of the people of the state, in the higher branch of the legislature, have betrayed the trust placed in them and have lost no opportunity to vote against the principles to which they pledged their support and allegiance in the party platform at the time of their nomination and election, and not because of a failure on my part to present the matter to them for action in conformity with the wishes of their constituents."

## LOCAL OPTION.

Likely to be a Law Suit Over it in Allegan County.

Allegan, Jan. 16.—After struggling with the proposition three days the board of supervisors of this county Saturday decided to give the people an opportunity at the April election to say whether they would again decide to have local option in this county, and when they decided that which they planged the county into a legal battle which will be settled in the supreme court of the state. Those opposed to local option claim the petitions did not contain the required one-third of names as stipulated by law. At the last general election there were 6,876 names registered on the poll lists of the county. The petitions presented contained the names of 2,598 voters, 414 of whom were not on the poll lists at the last general election. Before voting the board obtained Circuit Judge Padgham's opinion and he advised them that he thought they should consider the 414 names as legal voters, even though their names were not on the poll lists at the last general election, basing that decision upon the assumption that supervisors should know who were legal voters of their townships.

## Another Fine Volume.

Standard books are ever welcome when they come to us in forms and bindings representing all the embellishments of the art of bookmaking. Such a book is "The War in South Africa," published by The Dominion Company, Chicago, a copy of which has just come to our desk. The contents are well arranged, the illustrations are fine, the print is clear and neat and the binding is superb. The Dominion Company is forging ahead as the leading western publishing house making a specialty of fine subscription books. Having salespeople in nearly every nook of the country, the company enjoys a large and growing trade. As this company has a known reputation for liberality towards its agents and fair treatment of them, an agency in this community for the above book, or some other published by this company, would be a source of considerable profit to the one fortunate enough to secure it. Interested readers should write the company for full particulars.

Old papers for sale at this office.

## PATTERSON WINS CASE.

Michigan Buggy Company Must Pay Him \$2,828.78 Damages.

Kalamazoo Gazette: The jury in the case of Thomas F. Patterson vs. the Michigan buggy company brought in a verdict in favor of the plaintiff, giving him damages in the sum of \$2,828.75. The jury had been out over six hours.

The plaintiff sued for the sum of certain bills of goods which had been shipped by him to the Michigan buggy company and they put in a counter claim for damages, claiming the goods had not been delivered at the time agreed upon and so had lost the company many orders.

Samuel Hannon, put on by the plaintiff, showed that the delayed leather had not prevented the filling of certain orders, as alleged.

Mr. Hannon, referred to in the above article, formerly lived in St. Joseph and is well known in this city. Recently he secured a big judgment against the same company.

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## MICHIGAN.

Michigan applicants granted pensions Saturday. Original—James B. Ellsworth, Redmond, \$8; George Blickhahn, Wells, \$6. Widows—Eliza Mallett, Montrose, \$8.

H. L. Raymer, who was arrested at Sumner, Gratiot county, on a charge of impersonating a United States officer and fraudulently obtaining money thereby, has confessed at Bay City and asks the court's mercy.

The sugar beet growers of Bay county got together and passed resolutions calling upon the sugar manufacturers to pay them not less than \$5 a ton for beets yielding 12 per cent. They have pledged themselves not to raise any next season unless their demands are complied with.

Representative Hamilton has introduced bills for the relief of Frederick R. Ackley, Jacob F. Banks and Hiram W. Ways, to restore pension to James A. Miller, and to increase the pension of Julia Weeks.

Between 500 and 600 persons have been converted at the revival now in progress at Kalamazoo under the direction of Dr. J. Wilbur Chapman.

In circuit court at Saginaw William Jarvis secured a verdict of \$5,000 against the Flint & Pere Marquette railroad company. On March 13 last, while coupling cars, he was caught and lost one foot.

## Advertised Letters.

List of unclaimed letters remaining in this office for the week ending January 15, 1900:

LADIES.	GENTLEMEN.
Applegate, Nettie	Arhee, William (2)
Dover, Freda	Barcus & Co
Bratton, F. L. (9)	Cox, Mr
French, Fara	Eberle, Waiker
Haskell, Mrs. Carl (5)	Farquhar, J. W
Jackson, Mrs. Julia	Griffith, W. C
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TWIN CITY TELEPHONE 172.

TUESDAY, JAN. 16, 1900.

THE board of trade will hold a meeting of importance to the city tomorrow evening. An attendance as large and a meeting as enthusiastic as the one held last week will surely result in good to the city. The company which will make the proposition to establish a new industry is said to require seven figures to express its financial responsibility.

BAY county sugar beet growers are trying to organize a trust among themselves so that all sugar factories will be compelled to pay \$5 per ton for 12 per cent beets. The first season of beet culture in Bay county was so profitable that the farmers fell over themselves to secure beet contracts for the second year. Because of the failure of the crop last year the growers want the sugar companies to make good the loss. The price paid for beets is already higher than the rate paid in other states and the legislature offered a state bounty on the condition that \$4 per ton should be paid for 12 per cent beets. The growers should remember that any crop, when a partial or complete failure, is a losing proposition. In the case of sugar beets the grower and the manufacturers are both losers.

## FACTS BRIEFLY STATED.

Numerous deaths from influenza have caused a scarcity of coffins in London.

Italy is indignant because the United States cannot punish the Tallulah lynchings. Curzon is said to be one of the most autocratic but popular viceroys India has known.

Twenty blocks of houses in the Chinese quarter of Honolulu were burned to check the bubonic plague.

There is a report that Andrew Carnegie paid the tolls on Senator Hoar's speech cabled to Aguinaldo.

Chicago City Railway company's net earnings in 1899, \$1,000,884; passenger receipts, \$5,162,065, a gain of \$362,624.

Dr. McGiffert is cited to appear before the New York Presbytery on February 12 to answer charges of heresy in his books.

The attorney general, in opposing the suit of Sampson for prize money, gives credit to the latter for the victory at Santiago.

An Italian bishop has invented an apparatus to warn a railway engineer of a train approaching on the same track and indicate its distance.

## Square Tip to Billiard Cues.

A billiard cue with a square tip instead of a round one is an innovation that may shortly be put to a practical test. Of course, the experts will smile in derision at this statement and say a square tip would be impracticable, but that is because they have never tried it. A well-known amateur of this city, who is of an experimental and inventive turn of mind, conceived the idea and had a special cue made with a square tip. He says it answers every purpose to which the ordinary cue is put, in addition to which it has a number of advantages over the round tip. For one thing, it is impossible to make a miscue. The full force of the cue strikes the ball and gives it more purchase. The point of contact between the rounded tip and the ball is, perhaps, one-tenth less than that of the square tip and the ball, and where "English" is used the latter tip assures a much greater control. The inventor of the square tip has applied for a patent and hopes to introduce it through the medium of several well-known professional players.—Philadelphia Record.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

## Notice to Settle.

Having sold our shoe stock to Kidd & Woods and retired from the business all accounts due us must be settled within 30 days. We will be found at the repository of W. C. Hovey, 111 East Main street.  
87tf L. T. BURRIDGE.

Mr. J. Sheer, Sedalia, Mo., saved his child's life by One Minute Cough Cure. Doctors had given her up to die with croup. It's an infallible cure for coughs, colds, grippe, pneumonia, bronchitis and throat and lung troubles. Relieves at once. Geo. M. Bell & Co.

Dr. J. A. Jarvis will be located at room 5, the Jones & Sonner block, on or after January 1, 1900. 75tf

Old papers for sale at this office.

# 1-4 off Our Fifth Annual Quarter Off Sale 1-4 off

On Tuesday, January 2, 1900, we will commence our FIFTH ANNUAL 1-4 OFF SALE. You all know the reliability of these sales; for the last 5 years we have had them, and every one has been legitimate; no marking up and then reducing, but a straight 25 per cent discount all through the store. Our stock this year is as good as ever, our Dress Goods department in particular. If you need anything for early spring we would advise you to buy now, as everything will cost you much more in the spring.

## SPECIAL CLOAK OFFERING

Commencing Saturday, Jan. 13, and ending Saturday, Jan. 20, we will make a tremendous Jacket and Golf Cape sacrifice. We have divided all our garments into 3 lots at

**\$2.25, \$5.00 AND \$7.50**

This includes all our goods up to \$20. Every Ladies' Garment in the store is included.

Remember we continue our great one-fourth off slaughter. We have sold more goods already than we sold during our entire sale last year. See the

## Dress Goods, Silks, Outing Flannels, Underwear, Hosiery, Laces, Umbrellas, Shirt Waists, etc.

**Table Linens** We are harping at you again on Linens, but we can't help it; we feel that every house in this county should be supplied with our linens; not because we sell them, but because they are cheaper than our competitors. We know they are; we import them ourselves and consequently we save you our profit. And now we are going to reduce even these prices 25 per cent. Why shouldn't you buy now. Better prices than ever.

We practically bar nothing, everything goes. We can save you 50 per cent on spring purchases, as goods are easily worth 25 per cent more than last fall and we discount you 25 per cent. Isn't it worth investigating? Look into our store and then into our competitors', and you tell for yourself who is doing the business.

## James & James H. Pound

### BIG CONVENTION.

Eighteen States Represented at the National Meeting of United Mine Workers of America.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 16.—A close approximation of the credentials committee showed that at least 18 states were represented in the national convention of the United Mine Workers of America when that body met in Masonic hall just before noon Monday.

John Blue, president of the Indianapolis Central Labor union, welcomed the delegates to the city. Fred Smith, organizer for the International Cigar Makers' union; Henry Fisher, president of the International Tobacco Workers' union, and H. J. Scovinger, organizer for the International Boot and Shoe Workers' union, were invited to make addresses, and all spoke at length. The convention unanimously invited Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, to make an address. Gompers spoke at two o'clock.

President Gompers was warmly received. He exhorted the miners to keep on organizing and striving to better their own condition, and not to cease agitating until the eight-hour movement was secured. This allusion to the shorter work day among the miners provoked great applause. There is a general feeling that this convention will speak decisively on the shorter-day question.

### Death of Thomas Eggleston.

New York, Jan. 16.—Thomas Eggleston, who planned and founded the school of mines of Columbia university, in which he was a professor of mineralogy and metallurgy, and who was prominent as an author of scientific works in this country and Europe, died Monday at his residence in this city, aged 68 years.

### Wages Advanced.

Boston, Jan. 16.—By order of the directors the pay of the operatives in the employ of the Nonantum & Newton Worsted companies has been advanced ten per cent. This means an actual increase and not a restoration. It affects about 600 hands.

### Old People Made Young.

J. C. Sherman, the veteran editor of the Vermontville (Mich.) Echo, has discovered the remarkable secret of keeping old people young. For years he has avoided Nervousness, Sleeplessness, Indigestion, Heart trouble, Constipation and Rheumatism, by using Electric Bitters and he writes: "It can't be praised too highly. It gently stimulates the kidneys, tones the stomach, aids digestion, and gives a splendid appetite. It has worked wonders for my wife and me. It's a marvellous remedy for old people's complaints." Only 50c at Lowe & Witherspoon's drug store.

After the first day of January Dr. Jarvis will be located at room 5 in the Jones & Sonner block. 75tf

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We keep the neatest, cleanest and best market in the city. We buy all our meats in the country.

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## A BAKER'S TROUBLE

**Finds Relief At Last After Years of Pain and Suffering.**

Bay City, Mich., Jan. 16.—A baker's profession is not the easiest of lives. The flour trusts and baking company trusts have made it necessary for the small baker to work longer hours and to devote an extra amount of energy to keep pace with them in securing his share of business.

Mr. L. H. Mans, 1301 Columbus avenue, Bay City, Michigan, by overwork and too assiduous attention to his business, brought on an attack of kidney trouble, which made it necessary for him to leave off working at times. He writes:

"On the recommendation of Mr. George Leyer, druggist of this place, I purchased a box of Dr. A. W. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills for my kidney trouble. They acted so well in relieving my pain and backache, that I persisted in the use of them until perfectly cured of my trouble.

"I am a well man now, thanks to the use of Dr. A. W. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills."

When the kidneys are affected by exposure, over-exertion, unusual emotions, or by the excessive use of stimulants, the other organs of the body refuse to do their work properly. The blood, not being properly filtered, ceases to furnish life force and nourishment to them.

The first signs of kidney disorder is a discoloration of and deposits in the urine. These conditions are usually accompanied by a lame weak back—backache. Dyspepsia follows with heart palpitation, torpid liver and resulting constipation.

This far, and no further, can the disease be allowed to run and the patient still have the assurance that his case is curable. Beyond are the horrible conditions of Bright's Disease and Diabetes, and the result an early and painful death.

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### Look At This!

At a meeting of the white cedar shingle manufacturers of Michigan and Wisconsin, held at Marinette on the 13th of this month, they advanced the prices on all grades of white cedar shingles 10 cts per M. and in all probability there will be another advance. I have a million and a half of all grades of cedar shingles that I will sell at the old price for the next 60 days. Remember I keep a full line of paints also, building material, sash and doors.

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The nearest approach of a 10 cent cigar for 5 cents is the Mantello.

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Dr. J. A. Jarvis will be located at room 5, the Jones & Sonner block, on or after January 1, 1900.

### Dr. S. M. White, dentist

Judson E. Rice has enlarged the shelf room for wall paper in his store to three times its former capacity and has bought double the stock of last year in expectation of increased business. Less than half of his new stock has arrived and he has his shelves already well filled.

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## LOCAL BREVITIES

MEETING of the board of trade tomorrow night.

THE Colby-Hinkley company has increased its capital stock \$6,000.

IN the advertisement of W. D. Downey today is a late dispatch from South Africa.

RICE & Massey are calling attention to the mammoth stock of wall paper they are receiving.

CONGREGATIONAL social this evening at the home of Mrs. R. M. Jones, Washington street.

THE board of directors of the library association will meet this evening at 8 o'clock at Mr. Somner's office.

THE Milwaukee, Benton Harbor & Columbus road has discontinued the train that has been leaving at 1 o'clock p. m.

W. F. SUMMERHILL in a new advertisement today says all meats look alike but those purchased at his market have a different taste.

OPHE Read, the novelist who made famous the St. Joseph river in one of his books, has taken to the vaudeville stage and is now playing in Chicago.

THE Geo. H. Thomas W. R. C. will meet tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock at the G. A. R. hall. Every member is especially requested to be present, as there is business of importance.

ANNUAL thank offering meeting of the W. H. M. S. of the M. E. church at the parsonage tomorrow at 2:30 p. m. A general invitation to all the ladies of the congregation. Special program.

At the meeting of the directors of the Farmers and Merchants bank held yesterday the old officers were re-elected as follows: President, John Robinson; vice president, R. M. Jones; cashier, Charles Foster.

THE Willing Workers of the Second Baptist church met at Mrs. C. R. Collier's Friday and elected the following officers: President, Miss Anna Green; vice president, Miss Della A. M. V. Secretary, Miss Anna Shoemaker; treasurer, Miss Emma Cossey.

AMOS Patterson, an old pioneer of Grange township, died at his home near Benton Springs last Saturday and was buried yesterday and a funeral service was held at the residence of the deceased. Mr. Patterson was about 60 years of age and was highly esteemed by a wide circle of acquaintances.

THE Grange Lyceum and society of Benton Harbor will give an entertainment at the Grange hall Friday evening, January 19. The program will consist of oration, and musical numbers furnished by the members of the graduating class of 1900 of the Benton Harbor college and made by Miss Maude Harkins, assisted by Prof. Schaus. The proceeds are to be used for the erection of sheds.

J. B. WOLFE, manager of the Oliver opera house, South Bend, was in the city today putting up posters for the great attraction which will appear in that opera house Wednesday evening, January 21. The attraction is William Morris and his own company in "The adventures of Lady Ursula." A special train will run over the St. Joseph, South Bend & Southern road on that night.

### A Card.

We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to refund the money on a 50-cent bottle of Greene's Warranted Syrup of Tar if it fails to cure your cough or cold. We also guarantee a 25-cent bottle to prove satisfactory or money refunded.

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### The Butterfly's Pocket.

The male butterflies have the proud privilege of a pocket, but the pocket of a butterfly is wonderfully made. It is really an extension of the under wing folded back on the upper side, but it is exquisitely colored and marked like the upper side so that it is very hard to detect, and no one has yet discovered just how it is opened, although undoubtedly the butterfly can throw it open while he is flying. At first glance there seems to be only white or amber-colored silk floss within, but examine this with a microscope and you will find twisted ribbons, slender rods shaped like a shepherd's crook, others jointed bamboo-like, and flexible rods and tiny scales of various sorts and patterns. It is known that insects have a marvelously keen scent, and it is believed that all these odd little objects are perfume boxes, and that the fragrance so thrown abroad is a signal call to the female butterfly which may be wandering about in the air. It is, to say the least, a very interesting guess, and there is evidence to prove that butterflies and moths are summoned from distances by odors that we would hardly notice.—Philadelphia Times.

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### TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY.

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IS INADEQUATE IN VITAL RESPECTS.

The Body Asks That Legislation Be Enacted to Support It in Its Contest Against Schemes Which Endanger Competition.

Washington, Jan. 16.—The interstate commerce commission Monday made public its thirteenth annual report. The feature of the report is the strong plea made that congress uphold the hands of the commission by amendments making the interstate commerce law more effective. The report says that the commission a year ago called attention to the fact that in vital respects the present law proved defective and inadequate, and that until further legislation is provided the best efforts at regulation must be feeble and disappointing. The requests of the commission for needed amendments have been supported by petitions and memorials from agricultural, manufacturing and commercial interests throughout the country, yet, says the report, not a line of the statute has been changed, and none of the burdensome conditions which call for relief has been removed or modified. The existing situation, and the developments of the past year, it is added, render more imperative than ever before the necessity for speedy and suitable legislation. Nineteenth of the people know that any railroad company can charge for its service whatever it pleases, and as much as it pleases, with no real power in this commission or any other tribunal or court to limit the amount of such charge, for the reason, when complaint is made by an aggrieved shipper, and there are substantial grounds for believing that this and other abuses in the statute be promptly remedied. Shippers generally also have been repeatedly informed in favor of a change in the law of freight rates, one that will be uniform for all roads and all sections of the country, and reasonably stable season after season.

### General Dissatisfaction Expressed.

This general and widespread dissatisfaction has been expressed in resolutions of various national organizations, and at a conference at Chicago on November 14, 1900, held by representatives from a number of national organizations of manufacturers, merchants and others, a long endorsement of more important amendments recommended by the commission was approved as the measure which would best meet the requirements of business and commercial interests. This bill Senator Cullum has introduced and the report said it was expected that the committee would be perfecting the bill in the near future, or recommending what further action is needed for the most radical and drastic legislation.

### Endangers Competition.

One of the chief points of contention known to the public is the way in which the law is now applied to the commission. It is pointed out that the commission is not empowered to fix rates, but only to regulate the rates. It is pointed out that the commission is not empowered to fix rates, but only to regulate the rates. It is pointed out that the commission is not empowered to fix rates, but only to regulate the rates.

The increase in railroad business the past year has been significant. The report says that many of the roads have increased their rates, and that the commission is not empowered to fix rates, but only to regulate the rates. It is pointed out that the commission is not empowered to fix rates, but only to regulate the rates.

### Large Increase in Rates.

Collecting with these schemes of unfettered control, and while this exceptional movement of the commission, the carriers operating throughout an extensive and important territory have recently made substantial, and in many cases very large, increases in the rates of charges. The advances in rates have been a major effect of the commission's action in the classification of freight articles.

It is not intended to intimate that these advanced rates are unlawful, and no opinion is expressed as to their actual or relative reasonableness. But the fact that such excessive increases in railroad charges have been brought about by the method described must be of significant import and furnish a weighty argument in favor of measures which will be effective to secure compliance with the primary requirements of the act.

### Conferences Held.

Reference is made to several conferences had with high railway officials early in the year with a view to gaining from each promises to maintain their published rates, and to the good effect of these conferences in checking the rate demoralization then prevailing. It is denied that the conferences sought to secure agreements to maintain rates, their only purpose being to secure good faith in observance of published tariffs.

Fifteen cases are pending in federal courts to enforce orders of the commission and criminal cases are awaiting trial in Louisiana, Texas and Georgia.

During the year 1899, there were 199 employees killed and 5,339 injured upon 89 roads, against 209 killed and 5,381 injured in 1898, a result attributed to the more general equipment of the roads with safety appliances.

### Judicial Decisions.

A review is made of judicial decisions on interstate commerce affairs during the year. Concerning the refusal of the circuit court for northern Illinois to declare unreasonable the terminal charge of two dollars per car made on live stock brought into Chicago, the report says:

"The court seems to overlook what it believed to be the dominant consideration in the case, namely, that if the through rate to Chicago was a reasonable rate before January 1, 1894, it became an unreasonable rate when the two dollar terminal charge was added on that date. To make a reasonable through rate present less service than formerly and add on another charge for the part of the service formerly covered by the through rate plainly may make the total charge unreasonable, and that the commission, says, was this case.

### Twelve Doctors Dismissed.

New York, Jan. 16.—Commissioner of Charities Keller dismissed from the Metropolitan hospital on Blackwell's island 12 physicians who because of differences with Superintendent George T. Stewart, of the institution, on Sunday night hanged him in effigy in the morgue, using a cadaver for the purpose.

### Seeks Heavy Damages.

Sigourney, Jan. 16.—J. Wood Smith, a traveling man, has sued the town of Sigourney for \$15,000 for injuries received from a defective sidewalk.

### Has No Assets.

Boston, Jan. 16.—Azariah P. Crowell, a chemist of Falmouth, Mass., has filed a petition in bankruptcy. Liabilities, \$61,726; no assets.

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## THEIR VIEWS AIRED.

### Senators Are Discussing the Philippines Question.

#### SENATOR BERRY MAKES A SPEECH.

Pettigrew Follows with a Bitter Attack on the Administration and Is, Himself, Denounced by Wolcott.

Washington, Jan. 16.—Senator Gear (La.) was warmly congratulated Monday by Iowans upon his unanimous renomination for the senate. The congratulations were accompanied by a large basket of American Beauty roses, which was placed on Senator Gear's desk in the senate at the opening of Monday's session.

Senator Pettigrew presented a petition from the Woman's Suffrage association, of South Dakota, asking for a sixteenth amendment to the constitution affording women the right to vote and providing that the women of Puerto Rico, Hawaii and the Philippines also be allowed to vote.

At the conclusion of the routine business the resolution of Senator Pettigrew calling on the secretary of war for certain information regarding the Philippine insurrection was laid before the senate.

Senator Pettigrew declined Senator Hear's request to substitute for his resolution on the same subject, the one presented by Senator Hoar.

Senator Berry (Ark.) had read the resolution offered by Senator Bacon (Ga.) and also that of Senator Beveridge (Ind.).

Those who desired to discuss the Philippine question, he said, were met by the objection that they were aiding those who were in arms against the United States and were responsible for the loss of life among our soldiers. He regarded this position as absolutely unwarranted and declared that no man who was a man would be deterred from speaking by charges that were absolutely unfounded by facts. Senator Berry believed that the two resolutions which he had read from the desk fairly represented the views of the two great parties in this country. He was certain that the resolution of Senator Beveridge reflected the sentiment and feelings of the administration, because it had been favorably commented upon by the administration speakers and newspapers throughout the country. The resolution had been endorsed, he said, by the administration leaders, yet it could not be said to have a power upon this country as also was the case with the resolution of the opposition.

### Not Trustees of the Lord.

Senator Berry referred to that part of Senator Beveridge's speech in which the Indiana senator had asserted that God had selected the American people as His trustees, whose appointed work was to extend to the Philippines and the Filipinos the civilization and liberty with which the American people as His chosen children were to enlighten the world. Senator Berry did not admit that the American people were the trustees of the Lord in the Philippines matter. He said that when men asserted that they were the trustees of the Lord he wanted more substantial proof of the assertion than the words of Beveridge. The admission of the accuracy of such a trusteeship, Senator Berry believed, would ultimately destroy the foundations of government. He argued that the correct view of the situation in the Philippines was taken in the Bacon resolution. If that resolution were adopted to-day, he believed that not another gun would be fired in the Philippine revolution, and at the same time the United States would gain all the commercial and material advantages depicted by Senator Beveridge. He placed the responsibility for the insurrection upon the president declaring that if his proclamation had not been issued not a gun would have been fired and not a drop of our soldiers' blood would have been shed. He said that, in his opinion, the president had issued the proclamation unwisely, that he had been forced into the position by how occupies by scheming politicians. It was not too late to repair the wrong done, and it could be repaired by the adoption of the Bacon resolution.

### Pettigrew and Wolcott Speak.

Senator Pettigrew followed Senator Berry, and criticized the Philippine policy of the administration. Senator Pettigrew was very bitter in his attacks upon the administration. He entered upon a sharp attack of the treaty made by the Americans with the sultan of Sulu, charging that polygamy and slavery were not only tolerated, but maintained by the United States through the treaty with the sultan. He declared that the republican party was going out of power as the champion of slavery and a repudiator of the declaration of independence. Senator Pettigrew said that if his programme could be carried out it would be first to withdraw our troops from the Philippines to get out of the way of the sultan and, third, he would say: "Hands off! This is a neutral territory."

### Wolcott Replies.

Senator Wolcott (rep., Cal.) replied to Senator Pettigrew's speech by arranging the South Dakota's support for the attitude he had assumed on the Philippine question. He declared that he believed that Aguinaldo himself occupied the seat in the senate occupied by Senator Pettigrew, representing the people of South Dakota, who had sent their sons as soldiers to the Philippines, he would not so patently, too devoted to the interests of the country, to assume the attitude assumed by the present South Dakota senator. Senator Wolcott advised, also to the speech recently delivered by Senator Beveridge (rep., Ind.) sharply criticizing it for the spirit ofarchy which seemed to animate the senator in making such a deliverance.

At the conclusion of the Philippine discussion, Senator Rawlins (dem., Utah) addressed an elaborate argument to the senate in opposition to the proposed financial legislation.

### In the House.

Washington, Jan. 16.—Monday's session of the house was devoted to the consideration of District of Columbia business. Representative June W. Gale, of Kentucky, was sworn in and Mr. Cannon reported the urgent deficiency bill with a notice that he would ask that it be taken up to-day.

### The Urgent Deficiency Bill.

Washington, Jan. 16.—The urgent deficiency appropriation bill, the first of the important supply bills for the government, reported to the house by Chairman Cannon Monday, carries \$56,127,841, of which \$47,602,332 is re-appropriations for the military and naval establishments and \$8,525,509 direct appropriations. The more important direct appropriations are:

Treasury department, \$2,069,624; war department, \$199,617; naval establishment, \$2,550,000; postal service, \$290,327; Paris exposition, \$169,500; printing and binding, \$270,800; judgments, Indian depredation claims, \$29,112; judgments, court of claims, \$2,123,925. For transporting Spaniards home from the Philippines, \$700,000 is appropriated.

### Substitute for Financial Bill.

Washington, Jan. 16.—Senator Butler has given notice of a substitute he will offer for the financial bill. It provides for the manufacture or coinage of money out of gold, silver, paper and copper. The bill provides that no piece of money shall be of greater denomination than \$20 and makes gold, silver or paper money legal tender for any sum. It makes provision for the free coinage of both gold and silver.

### REPORT FROM OTIS.

Tells of Driving and Scattering of Insurgent Forces in Philippines—Small American Casualties.

Washington, Jan. 16.—The war department Monday received the following report from Gen. Otis:

Manila, Jan. 15.—Bolo men and armed insurgents, robbers from Zeambles mountains, attacked O'Neil commanding, 10th infantry, O'Neil commanding, at 10a. January 6. Driven and pursued with loss to them of 50 men; no casualties; Schwan's troops east and south Santo Tomas, Batangas; yesterday Cheatham's battalion Thirty-seventh struck enemy east of Santo Tomas on San Pablo road, enemy left five dead on field, cavalry soon appearing, pursued force eastward; no report of result. Cheatham's casualties, one wounded; Anderson, Thirty-eighth, en route to Lipa yesterday, struck insurgents 5 miles south Santo Tomas, drove them through Lipa to Rosario; enemy's loss, 20 dead and wounded, 60 Spanish prisoners, \$20,000; Schwan has liberated about 200 Spanish prisoners now en route to Manila. Anderson's casualties yesterday one man killed, two wounded; Wheaton's force actively operating in western Cavite and Batanga provinces, all important towns and constant patrolling; great many Filipinos returning to homes, believed to be insurgent deserters.

Manila, Jan. 16.—Part of Gen. John C. Bates' troops are operating about Lake Taal. The insurgents continue to retreat south. Col. Hayes, with the Fourth cavalry, is supposed to have reached Lipa, where many Spanish prisoners are held. Col. Anderson, with the Thirty-eighth infantry, took Talisay, on the north shore of the lake, with but little opposition. Maj. Cheatham, with a battalion of the Thirty-seventh, on his way to San Pablo dispersed 400 insurgents, whom the cavalry are pushing toward Alaminos.

A troop of the Third cavalry lost two men killed and three wounded in an encounter with the insurgents near San Fernando de la Union January 12.

### A CENSUS OF FLORICULTURE.

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Washington, Jan. 16.—Owing to the unusual intelligence of florists as a class, and the fact that the statistics of their business which the census office requires relate almost entirely to the year 1899, a plan has been formed for taking an early census of floriculture by mail, on special schedules, and to tabulate and publish the returns thereof early, while other branches of the great work of enumeration are in progress. There are approximately 16,500 florists in the United States.

This special schedule is not elaborate or complicated. It may be filled out easily and quickly by any florist who keeps a reasonably accurate run of his business. It asks for the (1899) acreage devoted to floriculture and of each crop or variety of plants and flowers; the total area in square feet under glass and the area of each crop or variety of flower or plant raised thereunder; the number of persons employed and the total wages paid to them; the amount expended for catalogues, postage, and fertilizers respectively, and the gross receipts from the sales in each subdivision of the business.

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### Indicted.

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 16.—At three o'clock Monday afternoon the Franklin county grand jury returned indictments against John H. Whallen and Charles H. Ryan, charging them with unlawfully conspiring to bribe a member of the general assembly, to wit: Senator S. B. Harrel. Bench warrants were at once issued for Whallen and Ryan, bond being placed at \$1,000 in each case. The cases were set for trial on Thursday, 25th inst.

### Charged with Lover's Death.

Tiffin, O., Jan. 16. Miss Orpha Sheets, a handsome young lady of Green Spring, was arrested Monday afternoon for the murder of her lover, Claude Tuttle. He died under peculiar circumstances several weeks ago with symptoms of strychnine poisoning. Miss Sheets purchased strychnine the day of his death and was custodian of \$200 of her lover's money. The coroner's verdict charges her with his death.

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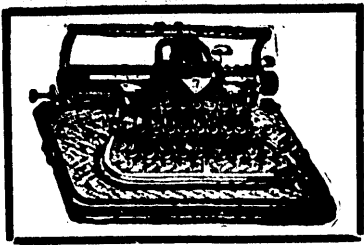
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## WHAT ails the dog?" asked Mr. Singletary.

There was some reason for the question. The sprightly fox terrier that adorned the family seemed disturbed in his sleep on the shaggy rug before the fire. There were twitches and tremors along his body and limbs, his jaws clicked together in a savage fashion, and he even barked those short dream yaps which are supposed to betoken the pursuit of visionary rats.

"What's the matter with the dog?" repeated Mr. Singletary, when these manifestations of canine worryment became so pronounced as to distract his attention from his evening paper.

There was a snicker from the dining-room, where John, Jr., was theoretically engaged in the pursuit of his education. It was followed by a snort which betrayed the ineffectual stifle of a laugh, but in which there was sufficient reason of straining to alarm the lad's mother.

"What is it, Johnny?" she asked, with motherly concern. "Did you swallow the wrong way?"

"No," replied the scholar. "I was only laughing at something in my lesson here. It says Sirius is more than a billion miles away."

"I don't see anything funny in that, Johnny," said his mother. "Astronomy is much too solemn to joke about."

"Well, it just made me laugh, ma; Sirius, that's the dog star, being a billion miles away, and a star dog being so much nearer; I leave it to you if that ain't so."

"Ssh, Johnny! Never mind that now. You haven't any too much time to get your lessons, and you mustn't interrupt us when I am talking with your father. Now, John Henry," she continued, turning to the head of the house, "don't do anything to arouse the poor creature don't even mention his name, because then he'll know we're talking about him. I have just had an awful experience to-day, and the poor dear's nerves are all unstrung. But I have a great deal to be thankful for that it's no worse, and that our Johnny has not fallen victim to an awful death. It's all due to the courage and presence of mind of Dr. Knox. You remember, he is supplying our pulpit while Dr. Winslow is abroad? Well, last Sunday he read a notice that next Sunday, Dr. V., our beloved pastor would occupy his pulpit, and that his throat trouble, while not entirely cured, was much improved. So Dr. Knox is making his last pastoral call."

"A pious P. P. C.," interjected Mr. Singletary.

"John Henry!" said his wife, with reprobatation in her tones. "Even if you find pleasure in jesting about serious matters, you might have some consideration for your son, who is in the next room and can hear every word you say. Well, as I was saying, before you interrupted me, and I must say it sounded very much like blasphemy, Dr. Knox is taking leave of the congregation, and he called on us this afternoon. It was just lovely to hear him say how pleasant his temporary relations had been with the congregation, and how his grief at leaving us was tempered by the reflection that now he could resume his studies on the exegesis of Gmelin, of the one hundred and nineteenth poem. He speaks so earnestly about his life work that I know it will be a strong bulwark of the faith against all this criticism that is so dreadful and so hard to understand, except that it is making so many poor people feel as though they might be good Presbyterians. Anyway, while he was here Mrs. Doubleday came in, and that was very nice, for she and I have been talking."

"Did the dog bite the minister?" asked the young man, who was struggling to see what the homilies of the Holy Scriptures had to do with the household pet. "Is that what he's dreaming about?"

"John Henry! how can you say a thing like that? I have a good mind not to tell you any more. I wouldn't only I want you to know of our boy's narrow escape from a dreadful death. Well, Mrs. Doubleday had her Fido with her. While we were interested in all that Dr. Knox was telling us the dog slipped out. The next thing I knew after that was a simply dreadful disturbance out in the back yard. I excused myself and ran out into the extension where I could look out of the window, and I saw that awful Fido attacking our poor Tip, and Johnny and Tom Doubleday were trying to separate them. I screamed to the boys to save Tip, and then Mrs. Doubleday and Dr. Knox ran to the windows."

Just then there were sounds of disturbance upstairs. One of the little girls called over the banisters: "Ma! do make sister stop. We were just pillow fighting, and now she won't let me get back into bed." And the other young lady was clearly heard to say: "O, you tattle-tale!" But it was sufficient to call Mrs. Singletary from her narrative.

Mr. Singletary started to pick up his evening paper again. Then he thought better of it, and went out into the dining room to get a drink of water out of the silver ice pitcher which represented the latest wedding anniversary of the household. Young John seemed rapt in the parallax of the dog star.

"Was it much of a scrap?" asked the head of the house.

"Say, pop, you ought to 'a' seen it. Tom's always been saying his Fido could chew up Tip or any dog. But just you look at this!" And the student dragged out of his pocket a piece of animal tissue with long, silky hair. "There's that Fido's left ear. What do you think of Tom Doubleday's pup after that?"

But Mrs. Singletary was heard coming downstairs after settling the little difficulty of the younger children, and John Henry and John, Jr., resumed the positions which are described in the military tactics under the word of command "As you were!"

"As I was saying," resumed Mrs. Singletary, "both Mrs. Doubleday and myself called to the boys to separate the ferocious animals. We forgot the danger. But Dr. Knox had real presence of mind, and he called to the boys to let the dogs alone and to let them fight it out, for the least scratch of the infuriated creatures might produce rabies. It was such a narrow escape that I shudder to think of what might have happened if it had not been for the presence of mind of Dr. Knox."

"Say, pop," suggested Johnny, "you'd oughter seen the minister. He was a dead game sport, and wanted to see the finish. And after it was all over, Tom and me, we took the two dogs down to the butcher shop on the corner and weighed them, and Tip was 11 ounces lighter than Fido; but that didn't make any difference, he just chewed him all up!"

"Now, Johnny," said his mother, "you ought not to be thinking of such things as that. Just remember that if it had not been for good Dr. Knox you might have caught that dreadful disease, hydrophobia!"

With a snap of his fingers, Mr. Singletary called the subject of these domestic revelations. When the vivacious Tip had leaped into his lap the simple words: "Good pup," caused the dog to wag the stump of his tail, probably expressing thereby his appreciation of the exegesis of Gmelin.—N. Y. Sun.

## BY FLAVELL SCOTT MINES.

A NUMBER of my friends have lately been very anxious to know why I gave up my electrical studies, and in these few words I intend to furnish the explanation. I want it distinctly understood that it was not my fault.

People are so accustomed to accusing boys of being frivolous if they do not stick to one thing and always accomplish just what they start out to do. That is not always fair to the boys, and I am sure that it was not in my case, for there were circumstances over which I had no control which prevented my attaining my ambition, and put a sudden stop to my experiments in electrical science just when I was beginning to be greatly interested and accomplish something.

In the early part of the year I set to work to study practical electrical engineering. I so mastered the study that in three months I "rigged up" my room with a complete electrical outfit.

It was a very delightful study, and I soon began to wonder how long it would be before I would invent some great submarine vessel or construct a flying machine that would be controlled by the mighty power of electricity. I made up my mind that I was not to be a common, ordinary engineer all my life. I was going to be famous, like Edison. It was a great source of annoyance to me, however, that Edison had invented so much. It left less for me to give to the world.

In a month or so I had the ceiling of my room crossed and recrossed by a multitude of wires, and one corner was given up to a number of glass jars and magnets, and a lot of other paraphernalia that nobody but myself knew the names of.

In fact at that early period of my experiments I am not sure that I knew the names of all the things connected with the science of electricity that I had in my room myself, but I was rapidly learning, and had I been allowed to continue the study would have soon known all of them.

The chambermaid regarded them in the light of something supernatural, for when she would open the door a bell would ring; another would sound when she hung anything on a hook in the closet, and if my mother had occasion to go to my bureau drawers a perfect pandemonium would break forth as soon as they were opened.

"Ah, Sammy, my boy," said my father, approvingly, one day, "I think that you have hit on the right thing at last. Always put your knowledge to practical use."

And this remark caused my downfall. To further please my father I decided to fit the whole house over with a complete set of burglar alarms, so that if a window or door was opened after the electricity had been turned on at night a bell in every room would sound.

The first night that the wires were in order I turned on the current a little earlier so as to see how it worked, and it happened that our dog was just entering the house.

As he stepped on the door sill with one foot he felt a slight shock, and with a great amount of curiosity the poor beast put his other paw down on the wire to see what strange thing it was.

Then there was a wild howl, and the family, as they sat on the piazza, saw a black object, giving vent to growls and barks, tear through their midst and disappear.

The baby was so frightened that it sat down and cried, and my mother immediately decided that some savage animal had escaped from the circus that was in town, and forthwith picked up the child, fully convinced that he was bitten.

"Run for the doctor, quick! quick!" she cried. "Oh, my darling boy!"

We all gazed about in amazement, and the darling boy, who delighted in all sorts of excitement, stopped crying and looked around to see what the fun was.

"Why, that was only Caesar," I remarked. "He stepped on an electric wire." And I rushed upstairs and turned off the current.

They were all laughing when I returned.

The following day passed with no signs of the dog. About dinner time on the next evening a downcast-looking beast crept to the door, gave a wide leap to clear the wire that ran along the sill and then advanced into the parlor, lay down in the center of the room and fell asleep.

Where he had been we never found out, but for several days after Caesar walked around as though in fear of some unseen enemy.

The incident amused my father greatly, and shortly after he told it to a friend who was visiting, and then took him up to my room to show him the alarms.

He knew how to set the bells ringing by touching a button, and did so.

After a few seconds the continuous ringing grew tiresome, and he tried to stop it. But he didn't know as much as he thought he did. The bells still kept up a furious peeping, and finally he became desperate and poked up a stick and smashed one of the glass batteries; but it did no good.

Another battery was broken, and another, and probably the whole lot would have been doomed had I not appeared on the scene.

All I did was to move a little switch on the wall and the noise ceased.

"Why, of course, of course," my father said.

And he thrust a bank note into my hands, muttering something about repairing the broken jars and keeping the change.

That was only right after meddling with things that he did not understand, and I made three dollars by the operation.

That evening as we were all sleeping a man crept under the dining-room window. By some deft movement the catch was turned and the sash noiselessly raised.

The intending burglar put his hands on the window sill to enter—but he didn't. He just stayed there; for, thanks to me, there was a strong current on, as I had recharged the batteries.

He had touched the electric wires with both hands, completed the circuit, and was powerless to move, while the bells began.

In a moment father was on the scene. As he saw the burglar struggling to free himself he made a dash at the intruder, caught the wires, and there they both stood, glaring fiercely at each other, with the bells keeping up their racket.

I was sound asleep, dreaming that the emperor of Germany had knighted me for building some eternal war machine, when I heard the clatter of the bells and my father calling to me.

Before I was fully awake I ran downstairs and took in the situation at a glance. Then I crossed two wires, the current of electricity ceased and the burglar fell out of the window backward, while my father stood frowning at me.

"What do you mean, sir?" he began, when, suddenly recollecting the burglar, he jumped out of the window.

But the thief was gone!

My study, however, was gone. My father declared that I must stop all such "fiendish contrivances" and devote myself to something sensible.

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SOCIETY AND PERSONAL

C. J. Peck is in Chicago.  
Mrs. C. H. Schaffer is ill with tonsillitis.  
Charles Schaffer returned to Terre Haute yesterday.  
David Jones has resigned his position at the Chicago Bargain store.  
Rev. Frederic Welham took up his residence at the Hotel Benton today.  
Robert Buckman and Orville Reese of Eau Claire are guests of friends in the city.  
Miss Bessie Hyler goes to Chicago tomorrow where she has accepted a position.  
Mrs. H. M. Rouse, the miller at Enders & Young's, is taking a two weeks' vacation.  
Attorney Will Andrews of Berrien Springs is in the city today on legal business.  
James Hollis entertained a few of his gentleman friends last evening at his home on Pipestone street.  
Mrs. M. H. Brennan of Muskegon has been called to this city on account of the serious illness of her sister, Miss Emma Rappell of Center street.

The Pleasure club met with Mrs. L. T. Burdick last evening. Mrs. W. D. Downey and Gen. D. B. Ainger carried off the prizes. A chaffin dish lunch was served. The club meets with Mrs. W. P. Robbins Monday night.

At Maplehurst Friday, January 19, Mrs. Burwell will entertain at dinner the Chautauqua alumni and Chautauquans. All are cordially invited. Conveyances will leave Bird's drug store at 11 o'clock. Program for the afternoon: Roll call; Quotations from favorite American authors; music, class song of 1899; map study of Paris, Mrs. Morley; "French Story of Oberland and Heloise," Mrs. Falkingham; "Legend of Pere Lachaise" as given by Mark Twain, Mrs. Ward; critical study in American literature; "Evangeline," by the class.

The R. N. of A. will install their officers tomorrow evening.

The L. O. T. M. will meet tomorrow night and installation of officers will take place.

Mrs. H. D. Poole with Mrs. O. B. Hipp will give a 1 o'clock luncheon tomorrow to fifty lady friends.

The P. W. W. N. M. will meet with Mr. and Mrs. James Dwan tomorrow evening. Every member is urged to be present.

The L. I. T. will meet with Miss Nettie Cury tomorrow evening.

The Self Culture club met with Mrs. Warren on Monday and in the absence of the president was called to order by the vice president. There was a good attendance and each member answered to roll call with a quotation. "The History of Our Own Times," by Justin McCarthy still holds the attention of all, notwithstanding late adverse newspaper criticisms, and the chapter on fractarianism fairly bristled with interest under the able leadership of Mrs. Falkingham. Mrs. Hovey recalled us to the "Land of the Free and the Home of the Brave" with her article on the "Life and Achievements of Admiral Farragut and His Flagship, the Hartford," a book review, "Janice Meredith," was given by Mrs. Morrison; "Timothy Doolan's Will," an Irish dialect reading, was given by Mrs. Hamilton; questions answered by names of familiar writers by Mrs. Warren. Three new names were added to the membership roll. Adjourned to meet in one week with Mrs. Shauman.

The Chautauquans will meet on Saturday afternoon this week with Mrs. Kerry. Friday they will join with the alumni in an all day session at Maplehurst, the home of Mrs. Burwell. Conveyances at Bird's drug store at 11:30 a. m.

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Corn—					
Jan.....					
May.....	33 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2
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May.....	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2

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Entertainment by German Society.

The German Arbeiter society of this city will give an entertainment followed by a dance on the evening of February 5 at Conkey's hall. The program will be announced later.

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The recital given by Miss Bertha Foeltz and her musical class last evening was a charming success. About fifteen pupils took part and they did themselves credit. Miss Edna Kessler read two numbers.

Fair Plain.

Fair Plain, Jan. 16.—Dr. Eastman went to Chicago yesterday.

Thomas Olinger left Monday for Columbus, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Wagner leave today for Clarksburg, West Virginia.

O. Philip, of Chicago, has been visiting John Spink and family.

Will Heath and daughter, Mable, returned from the south Saturday.

The Misses Vaughan entertained a few friends Thursday evening.

The young ladies F. W. C. will meet with Miss Baker on Napier avenue Wednesday afternoon.

Quite a number of young people spent a very enjoyable evening at the home of Mr. Vogel last Thursday evening.

Mrs. H. Merry entertains a number of ladies at dinner today in honor of Mrs. Hagarman, who will soon leave for California.

The concert given in the school hall Saturday evening by the Second Baptist church of Benton Harbor was largely attended. The proceeds amounted to about \$15.

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